

Urban Fishing Program

Since 1969, MDC has provided close-to-home. St. Louis area fishing opportunities through the Urban Fishing Program (UFP). MDC stocks 17 St. Louis City and County park lakes with channel catfish, between 6 and 13 times, from April through September. Trout are stocked in several lakes from November through February. Since 1969, MDC has stocked over 2.5 million pounds of fish. In addition, nine UFP lakes are managed to provide largemouth bass and sunfish fishing. MDC has renovated several UFP lakes to improve angler access and fish habitat. All lakes in the UFP are owned by other agencies and MDC helps manage them through the Community Assistance Program.

August A. Busch and Weldon Spring **Conservation Areas**

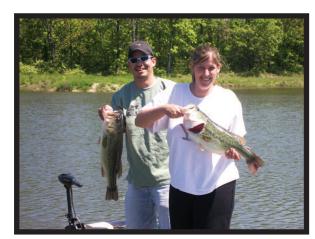
The August A. Busch Memorial and Weldon Spring Conservation Areas (15,093 acres) in St. Charles County offer a diversity of fishing opportunities within 40 minutes of the Arch, including: catch-and-release only, winter trout, intensively-managed catfish, trophy (bass, catfish, muskie and carp), walk-in ponds, kids-only lakes, along with stream and large river access.



Community Assistance Program

MDC's Community Assistance Program (CAP) has provided millions of dollars to St. Louis area communities to improve access and aquatic habitats in streams and lakes. MDC cash grants and work crews have built disabled-accessible angler and viewing docks and platforms, trails, boat ramps, parking facilities, restrooms, aeration systems, and shoreline stabilization projects, as well as deepening 16 lakes. MDC fisheries biologists continue to manage the fish communities in these lakes by improving fish cover, surveying fish communities, setting appropriate regulations, and stocking. Biologist activities in streams include restoring rare and endangered species, surveying fish communities, fish habitat improvement projects, setting appropriate regulations, and stocking.











Go Fish St. Louis!

Fishing is great in the St. Louis area. This guide is your atlas to locating the tremendous close-to-home fishing in and around St. Louis. Inside, you'll find the names and locations of all public fishing areas and stream accesses near St. Louis and information about the many fishing opportunities available. The Missouri Department of Conservation hopes that you'll wet a line in your own back yard and enjoy the wonderful fishing to be found in the St. Louis area.



Missouri Department of Conservation

2360 Hwy. D St. Charles, MO 63304





Since fishing and boating regulations vary between lakes, check the posted regulation signs before fishing. Statewide regulations apply for all St. Louis streams, except for the Red Ribbon Trout and Stream Black Bass and Rock Bass Special Management Areas in the Meramec River Watershed. Please review the Department of Conservation's "A Summary of Missouri Fishing Regulations" booklet, which is available wherever fishing permits are sold.

FISHING LENGTH AND DAILY LIMITS

| | | | Augus | st A. Bu | isch CA L | akes | | | Hybrid | |
|---|-------|---------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <u>Lake</u> | Black | Black Bass | | Muskie | | a . | _ | Hybrid Striped | Striped Bass | All Others |
| 33 | Bass | Length | Muskie | Length | Combined | | Trout | Bass | Length | Combined |
| 35 | 2 | 18" 18" | 1 | 36" | 4 | 30 15 | - | 4 | 20" 20" | 10 10 |
| 6,7 ¹ ,34,36 4 ¹ ,5 ¹ ,9,10,11,16 | 2 | 15" | - | - | 4 | 15 | - | 4 | 20" | 10 |
| 19,20,24,26,27,30 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37,38 | 2 | 15" | _ | _ | 4 | 15 | _ | _ | _ | 10 |
| 31,22,231 | 2 | 15" | | - | 4 | 15 | 4 | - | - | 10 |
| 21,28 | 2 | 15" | - | - | 4 | 15 | 4* | - | - | 10 |
| 16,31,32 | | | Ca | tch and rel | ease only, arti | ficial lures | only | | | |
| 12 | | 15" | | KIDS O | NLY (age 15 a | nd younger |) | | | 2 |
| 1,2,15 ······ 8 ······ | | | | | | | | | | |

****Fishing is permitted in designated waters from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm, daily.****

FISHING LENGTH AND DAILY LIMITS

STL Urban Fishing Program Lakes

| | | Black | | | | All |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|----------|---------|-------|----------|
| <u>Lake</u> | Black | Bass | Catfish | | | Others |
| | Bass | Length | Combined | Crappie | Trout | Combined |
| Benton Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Blackjack | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Carondelet Boathouse | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Carondelet Horseshoe | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Fairgrounds Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Fountain | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| January-Wabash Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Jefferson (Forest Park) | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4* | 10 |
| Lafayette Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| New Ballwin | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| O'Fallon Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Suson Carp | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Suson Island | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Tilles Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4* | 10 |
| Vlasis Park | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| Willmore North | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Willmore South | 2 | 18" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |







FISHING LENGTH AND DAILY LIMITS

MDC and Community Assistance Program Lakes

| <u>Lake</u> | Black Bass | Black Bass Length | Flathead Catfish Length | Catfish Combined | Crappie | Trout | All Other Coml |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|-------|----------------------|
| Bee Tree | 2 | 18" | 24" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Bellefontaine CA – Bluegill | 2 | 18" | _ | - | _ | _ | 10 |
| Buder Pond | 6 | 12-15"2 | _ | - | 30 | _ | 20 |
| Community Club Lake | 2 | 18" | _ | 4 | - | _ | 10 |
| Creve Coeur Park | 2 | 18" | _ | 4 | 15 | _ | 10 |
| Jarville Lake | 2 | 18" | _ | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Kluesner Lake | 2 | 18" | _ | 4 | 15 | _ | 10 |
| Koeneman | 2 | 18" | _ | 4 | 15 | 4* | 10 |
| Lincoln | 12 | _ | _ | 4 | 30 | _ | 20 |
| Logan CA | 2 | 12-15"2 | - | 4 | 30 | - | 20 |
| Moore | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Port Hudson | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 30 | - | 10 |
| Potosi – Roger Bilderback | 2 | 15" | - | 4 | - | - | 10 |
| Preslar Lake | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Simpson Park | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Skate Park | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Spanish Lake | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Sunfish Lake | 2 | 18" | 24" | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Upper Fabick | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Walker | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | 4* | 10 |
| Weldon Spring – Prairie Lake | 2 | 15" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Weldon Spring – Fire Lake | 2 | 15" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| Westside | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | - | 10 |
| White WA | 2 | 12-15"2 | - | 4 | 30 | - | 20 |
| Wild Acres Park | 2 | 18" | - | 4 | 15 | 4* | 10 |
| Young CA | 6 | 12-15"2 | - | 4 | - | - | 20 |
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- ¹ = Intensively managed catfish lakes.
- * = Catch and release, artificial lures only fishing, November 1 January 31
- ² = 12-15" protected slot length limit; all bass in the 12-15" range must be released

Fishing Permits

- All anglers under 16 years of age and Missouri residents 65 years of age and older may fish without a permit; all others are required to possess a valid Missouri fishing permit, unless specifically exempted by the Wildlife Code of Missouri.
- All anglers, regardless of age, are required to possess a valid Missouri trout permit when possessing and transporting trout. A Missouri trout permit is not required for catch-and-release fishing.
- Reciprocal fishing privileges have been extended to licensed Missouri anglers fishing flowing waters, shared oxbows, adjacent backwaters of the Mississippi River, and may fish from the bank or attached to the bank of Missouri or Illinois. Anglers must abide by the most restrictive of the two states' regulations when fishing the other states' waters.

| River Access | Location | Facilities | BEST BETS |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Big River Access | • | | |
| Bootleg | WASHCO, Hwy 21, S of Potosi | | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Brown's Ford | JEFFCO, Brown's Ford Rd, W. of Hwy Y | B, DR | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Byrnes Mill | JEFFCO, W. of Hwy 30 in Byrnes Mill | | SPB, SNF, CAT |
| Cedar Hill | JEFFCO, Between Hwy B & BB | | SPB, SNF, CAT |
| Rockford Beach | JEFFCO, Hwy W, W. of Hwy 30 | B, DR | SPB, SNF, CAT |
| Leadwood | STFRAN, Hwy 8, W of Park Hills | | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Mammoth | JEFFCO, Mammoth Cr. Rd, off Hwy H | В | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Merrill Horse | JEFFCO, Hwy H, W. of DeSoto | B, DR | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Morse Mill | JEFFCO, Hwy C in Morse Mill | B, R | SPB, SNF, CAT |
| St Francois SP | STFRAN, Hwy 67, N of Park Hills | B, DR | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Washington SP | WASHCO, Hwy 21, SW. of DeSoto | B, R | SMB, RB, SNF |
| Bourbeuse River | Access | | |
| Chouteau Claim | FRANCO, Hwy AH, N. of Mosell | B, R | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Mayer's Landing | FRANCO, Hwy UU off HWY 50 | В | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Mill Rock | FRANCO, Mill Rock Rd off Hwy H | | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Mint Spring | CRAWCO, Hwy EE, S of Owensville | | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Reiker's Ford | FRANCO, Reiker Ford Rd, off Hwy UU | | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Uhlemeyer | FRANCO, Hwy O, S. of I-44 | B, DR | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Union | FRANCO, Hwy 50 in Union | В | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Wenkel Ford | FRANCO, Wenkel Ford Rd, off Hwy 185 | | SMB, SPB, CAT |
| Cuivre River Ac | cess | | |
| Crouch | LINCO, Hwy H, N of Troy | | CAT, SNF, LMB |
| Millsap Bridge | LINCO, Beck Rd., N of Truxton | | CAT, SNF, LMB |

Meramec River Access

| Meramec River | Access | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|---------------|
| Ackerman | STLCO, Yarnell & I-44 | | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Allenton | STLCO, Hunters Ford, SW. of Eureka | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Bird's Nest | CRAWCO, Bird's Nest Rd, off Hwy 19 | B, DF | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Blue Springs | CRAWCO, Thickety Ford Rd, off Hwy N | | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Castlewood SP | STLCO, Kiefer Cr. Rd, S. of Ballwin | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Campbell Bridge | CRAWCO, Hwy N, S of Burbon | B, DR | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Catawissa | FRANCO, Hwy N, SW. of Pacific | B, R | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Flamm City | JEFFCO, Hwy 231 in Arnold | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Greentree Park | STLCO, Marshall, W. of I-270 | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Huzzah CA | CRAWCO, Hwy E, NE of Steelville | | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Meramec SP | FRANCO, Hwy 185, S of Sullivan | B, R | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Onondaga Cave | CRAWCO, Hwy H, S of Leasburg | DB, DR | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Pacific Palisades | STLCO, Business 44, E. of Pacific | DB, DR | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Redhorse | FRANCO, E. of Hwy K, S. of St. Clair | DB | SMB, RB, SPB |
| River Round | FRANCO, Hwy TT, E. of St. Clair | В | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Riverview | CRAWCO, Hwy O, off Hwy 19 | В | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Robertsville SP | FRANCO, Hwy O, N. of Robertsville | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Simpson Park | STLCO, Marshall at Grand Glaize Cr. | R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Rt. 66 State Park | STLCO, Lewis & I-44 | B, DR | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Sand Ford | FRANCO, Hwy W, S of Stanton | В | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Sappington Bridge | CRAWCO, Sappington Rd. off Hwy D | B, DR | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Scott's Ford | CRAWCO, Thurman Lake Rd, off Hwy 8 | | SMB, RB, SPB |
| Unger Park | STLCO, Yarnell, N. of I-44 | | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Valley Park | STLCO, Marshall, E. of Hwy 141 | DB | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Winter Park | STLCO, Allen, S. of Old Gravois | B, R | SPB, CAT, SNF |
| Woods Memorial | CRAWCO, Hwy 8, SE of St James | DR | SMB, RB, SPB |

STL Urban Fishing Program Lakes Lake/Size (gerss) Lacation

| <u>Lake/Size (acres)</u> | <u>Location</u> | Facilities | BEST BETS |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Benton Park Lake (1) | STLCITY, Arsenal and Jefferson | DF | CCF |
| Black Jack Lake (1) | STLCO, Redman & Jefferies | F, DR | CCF, SNF, LMB |
| Carondelet Park | STLCITY, I-55 & Loughborough | DF, R | |
| Boathouse Lake (5) | | | CCF, LMB, RBT |
| Horseshoe Lake (3) | | | CCF, BLG, LMB |
| Fairgrounds Park Lake (9) | STLCITY, Natural Bridge & Vandeventer | DF, R | CCF, LMB, SNF |
| Fountain Lake (2) | STLCO, N. of St. Cyr. Rd | DF, R | CCF, LMB, BLG |
| January-Wabash Lake (5) | STLCO, Florissant & January | DF, R | CCF, LMB, SNF |
| Forest Park | STLCITY, Kingshighway & Hwy 40 | | |
| Jefferson Lake (9) | | DF, DR | CCF, LMB, RBT |
| Lafayette Park Lake (1) | STLCITY, Lafayette & Missouri | DF, R | CCF |
| New Ballwin Park Lake (1) | STLCO, New Ballwin, S. of Manchester | DF, DR | CCF, LMB, SNF |
| O'Fallon Park Lake (5) | STLCITY, W. Florissant, S of I-70 | DF, DR | CCF, LMB, RBT |
| Suson Park (3 lakes, 8A) | STLCO, Hwy 21 & Wells | DF, DR | CCF, SNF, RBT |
| Tilles Park Lake (2) | STLCO, McKnight & Litzinger | DF, DR | CCF, LMB, RBT |
| Vlasis Park Lake (1) | STLCO, Manchester & Seven Trails | DF, DR | CCF, RBT, SNF |
| Willmore Park | STLCITY, Gravois & Jamieson | DF, R | |
| North Lake (2) | | | CCF, LMB |
| South Lake (5) | | | CCF, LMB, CRA |

MDC and Community Assistance Program Lakes

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|--|--|-------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Lake/Size (acres) | Location | Facilities | BEST BETS | | | |
| Bee Tree Park Lake (9A) | STLCO, Finestone & Becker Rds | DF, DR | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Bellefontaine CA - Bluegill Lake (4A) | STLCO, Hwy 367 & I-270 | DR | LMB, BLG | | | |
| Bilderback Lake (1A) | CRAWCO, Potosi City Park | F, R | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Buder Pond (3A) | JEFFCO, Hwy. FF, Glassberg CA | | LMB, BLG | | | |
| Busch CA (32 Lakes, 500A) | STCHCO, Hwy D & Hwy 94 | DF, DR | LMB, CCF, SNF | | | |
| Community Club Lake (5A) | STCHCO, W Meyer & Lions Rd | DF, DR | LMB. CCF, BLG | | | |
| Creve Coeur Lake (320A) | STLCO, Dorsett & Marine | B, DF, DR | CCF, CRA, LMB | | | |
| Daniel Boone CA (4 Lakes, 3A) | WARCO, Tower Road, Off Hwy. Y | | LMB, SNF, CCF | | | |
| Fenton Park Lakes (3 Lakes, 9A) | STLCO, Fabick Lane | | LMB, BLG, CRA | | | |
| Jarville Lake (2A) | STLCO, Weideman N of Manchester | R | LMB, BLG, RED | | | |
| Kluesner Lake | STCHCITY, I-370 and Elm | F, DR | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Koeneman Park Lake (6A) | STLCO, Lucas/Hunt, N of W Florissant | DF, R | LMB, SNF, CCF | | | |
| Lincoln Lake (55A) | LINCO, Cuivre River SP | B, DR | LMB, CCF, RED | | | |
| Logan CA (6 Lakes, 35A) | LINCO, Hwy RA, off Hwy E & Hwy 61 | R | LMB, BLG, CCF | | | |
| Moore Lake (15) | STCHCITY, I-370 and Elm | DR | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Port Hudson Lake (55A) | FRANCO, Bald Hill Rd, off Hwy C, N of Hwy 50 | B, R | LMB, CCF, RED | | | |
| Reifsneider CA (2 Lakes, 5A) | WARCO, Schuetzenground Road | | LMB, BLG,CCF | | | |
| Simpson Park Lake (72A) | STLCO, Marshall & Grand Glaize | B, DF, DR | LMB, SPB, CRA | | | |
| Skate Park Lake (12) | STCHCITY, I-370 and Elm | DR | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Spanish Lake (33A) | STLCO, Spanish Pond, E. of Bellefontaine | B, DF, DR | LMB, BLG, CRA | | | |
| Sunfish Lake (31A) | STLCO, Spanish Pond, E. of Bellefontaine | B, R | LMB, SNF, CCF | | | |
| Walker Lake (2A) | STLCO, Geyer & Adams in Kirkwood | DF, DR | LMB, CCF, BLG, | | | |
| Weldon Spring CA - (2 Lakes, 35A) | STCHCO, Hwy 94 & Hwy 40 | R | LMB, BLG, CRA | | | |
| White Memorial WA (2 Lakes, 35A |)LINCO, Hwy Z and Hwy 61 | | LMB, CCF, BLG | | | |
| Wild Acres Park Lake (2A) | STLCO, Ashby Rd & Mildland Blvd, Overland | F, DR | LMB, BLG, RBT | | | |
| Young CA (2 Lakes, 2A) | JEFFCO, Hwy F, South of Eureka | | LMB, BLG | | | |

River Access Location Facilities BEST BETS

Mineral Fork Access

Kingston WASHCO, CO RD 317, off Hwy 47 SMB,RB, SNF

Mississippi River Access

| managed by serve | Access | | |
|------------------|---|------------|---------------|
| Cliff Cave | STLCO, Cliff Cave, E. of Telegraph | | CAT, DRM, STU |
| Columbia Bottom | STLCO, Riverview to Columbia Bottom Rd | DB, DR, DF | CAT, DRM, STU |
| Cuivre Island | STCHCO, Dalbow, off Hwy 79 | В | CAT,DRM,CRA |
| Dresser Island | STCHCO, Hwy 94, E. of Portage des Sioux | | CAT,DRM,CRA |
| Hide Away Harbor | STCHCO, Sioux Rd, off Hwy J & 94 | DB, DR, DF | CAT,DRM,CRA |
| Lincoln Shields | STCHCO, Hwy 67 Bridge | B, R | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Maple Slough | STCHCO, Spur Dike, S. of Hwy 67 | B, R | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Norton Woods | LINCO, Co Rd 927, off Hwy E and 79 | | CAT, DRM, STU |
| Truman Park | JEFFCO, Hwy AA at Drury & Big Hollow | В | CAT, DRM, STU |
| | | | |

Missouri River Access

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| Blanchette Landing | STCHCO, N. River Rd, NE. St. Charles | B, DR | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Colter's Landing | FRANCO, Hwy 100, W of Washington | В | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Columbia Bottom | STLCO, Riverview to Columbia Bottom Rd | DB, DR, DF | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Frontier Park | STCHCO, S. River Rd in St. Charles | | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Howell Island | STLCO, Eartherton Rd, W. of Chesterfield | | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Klondike | STCHCO, Hwy 94, W of Augusta | В | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| New Haven | FRANCO, Hwy, 100 in New Haven | B, DR | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Sioux Passage | STLCO, Old Jamestown & Vaille | B, R | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Washington | FRANCO, NW Hwy 47 | B, R | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| Weldon Springs | STCHCO, Hwy 94, S. of Hwy 40 | B, R | CAT, DRM, CRP |
| | | | |



Best Bets:

BLG = Bluegill

CRA = Crappie

CAT = Blue, Channel and Flathead catfish

CCF = Channel catfish

CRP = Carp

DRM = Freshwater drum

LMB = Largemouth bass

RBT = Rainbow trout (winter only)

RED = Redear sunfish

RB = Rock bass

SMB = Smallmouth bass

SPB = Spotted bass

STU = Sturgeon species

SNF = Sunfish species

City/County Abbreviations:

STLCO = St. Louis County

CRAWCO = Crawford County

LINCO = Lincoln County

FRANCO = Franklin County

STCHCO = St. Charles County

JEFFCO = Jefferson County

STCHCITY = St. Charles City

STLCITY = St. Louis City

Escilition Abbreviation

Facilities Abbreviations:

R = Restrooms

 $\mathsf{DR} = \mathsf{Disabled}\text{-}\mathsf{Accessible} \ \mathsf{Restroom}$

F = Fishing Dock

DF = Disabled-Accessible Fishing

Dock

B = Boat Ramp

DB = Disabled-Accessible Boat Ramp



